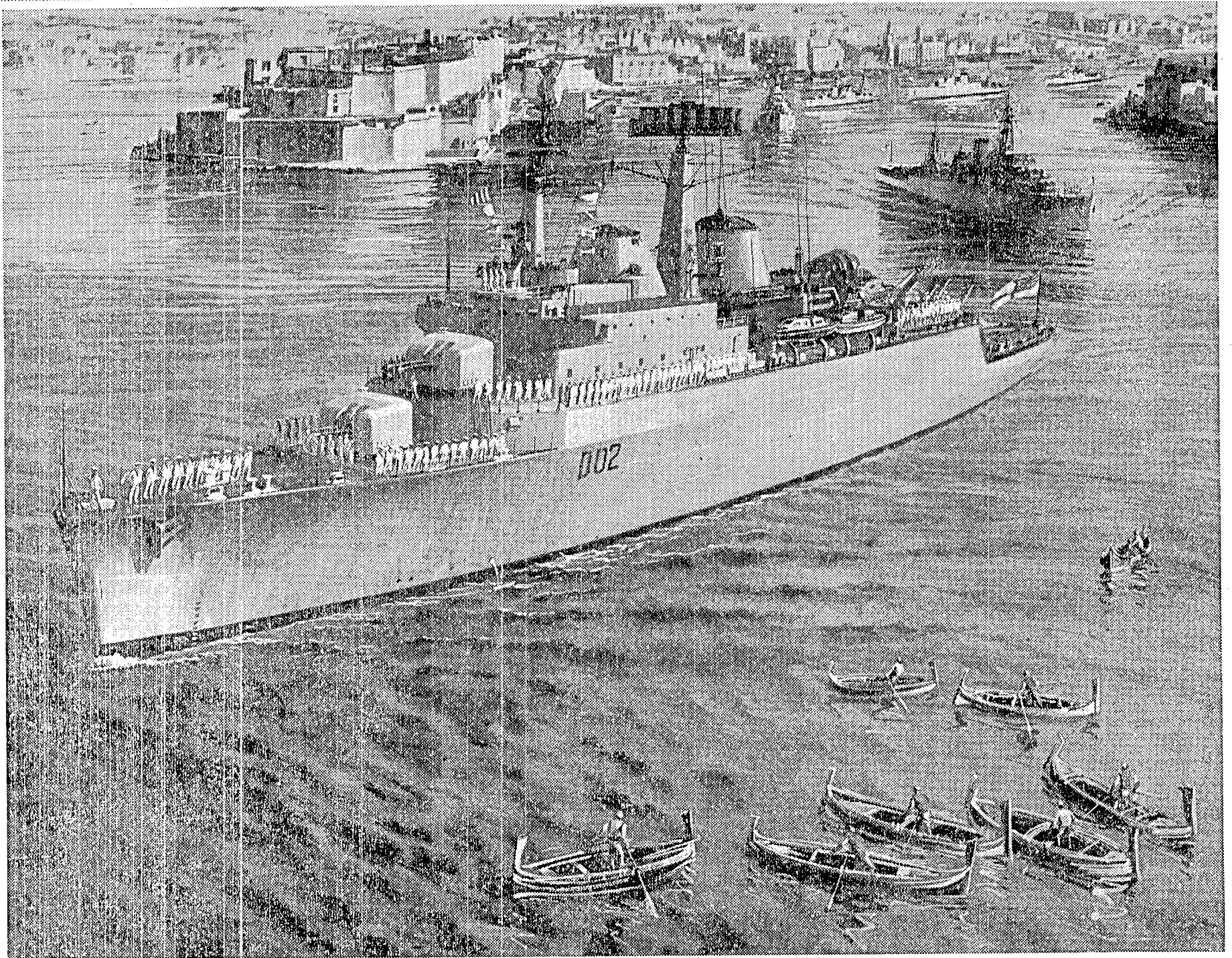


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## MALTA GOES HER OWN WAY

**ON 21st September Malta, "The George Cross Island," becomes an independent State. And Prince Philip will represent the Queen at the celebrations.**

Our front page picture this week, of HMS *Devonshire* leaving Grand Harbour, Malta, while Maltese boatmen watch her go, in a way symbolises the end of Britain's sovereignty over this sunny Mediterranean island.

There are five different political parties among the 230,000 people of Malta and its satellite islands, Gozo and Comino.

The strongly Roman Catholic Nationalist Party, under the Prime Minister, Dr. Olivier, is the

largest, and at the 1962 elections this party held 26 out of the 50 seats in the Legislative Assembly (Parliament). Then came the Maltese Labour Party, under Mr. Mintoff, with 16 seats, while the three remaining parties mustered only eight seats between them.

The big questions when independence was being discussed were, firstly, how much Malta's prosperity would be affected by the cutting down of the Royal Navy and the consequent reduced revenue from the great dockyard at Valletta; and, secondly, whether

or not the Roman Catholic Church would dominate Malta's politics.

In 1963, the British Government decided that 31st May, 1964, should be the latest date for independence. But it said that the islanders must first agree on a Constitution—that is, what form and kind of Government they should have. On this the rival parties could not agree.

### Yes or No

In November last year Dr. Olivier asked Britain to arbitrate, so Britain proposed that every Maltese voter should have the chance to say Yes or No to a Constitution agreed on by Malta's Parliament. This was done by

what is called a Referendum, which means a direct appeal by a Government to the people to answer, through the ballot box, one particular question (i.e. the Government *refers* the question to the people).

The Referendum was held and the results announced on 5th May. Over 59 per cent. of registered voters had either voted against the proposed Constitution, cast blank votes (nothing written on the ballot papers), spoiled their papers, or had not voted at all.

However, a Maltese Independence Bill was passed through the British Parliament in July and Independence Day was fixed.

*See also pages 6 and 7*

### WANTED!

This side and the other side of the Atlantic are four boys who have been "captured" by CN—

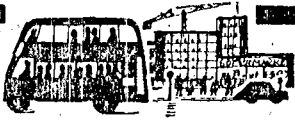
### THE KINKS!

Look out for this great group who plan to sing in Japanese!

In CN Next Week



# IN BRITAIN NOW



## WILD LIFE IN LONDON TOWN

**B**OTANISTS and lepidopterists (those who study butterflies and moths) of the London Natural History Society have been giving attention to wild life in and around London during the past few months.

Bombsites were a source of many varieties of wild plants but, as the sites have been cleared, the plants have disappeared. One plant which grew in profusion was a cross between the common ragwort and a variety of groundsel which grew together on rubble. Bearing a showy yellow flower, it was given the name London ragwort; with the clearance of rubble, this plant has almost disappeared.

In the grounds of Buckingham Palace was found a fluellen, a slender, yellow-flowered toadflax with a purple lip; and on the walls of a dock basin at Stepney there grew gipsywort and hart's-tongue fern.

### Widespread Moths

The lepidopterists spread their nets a little farther afield, covering an area with a radius of 25 miles from St. Paul's Cathedral. In London itself they found a number of different moths.

In New Oxford Street fluttered a Cabbage and a Vapourer; a Silver-ground Carpet was seen near Waterloo; a Brick in Covent Garden; and a Setaceous Hebrew Character off Shaftesbury Avenue.

Farther afield, a Garden Tiger made its appearance at Whetstone; a Wormwood Shark was seen at Lee; a Red-line Quaker at Mill Hill; and a Plain Pug at Chalfont St. Peter.

## MORE COWS AT THE SHOW

Dairy farmers have entered a total of 606 cows in the Royal Dairy Show to be held in London's Olympia from 27th-30th October.

## FANCY THAT!

"Boiling water is just water with holes in it."

So said Mr. V. P. Mummery, deputy director of the nuclear power station at Winfrith, Dorset.

## FIRST EMU



A very important resident at Surrey's Chessington Zoo, this young emu is the first to be reared there. Quite an armful now, it won't be long before it grows to be five or six feet tall.

## VIKINGS IN THE SHETLANDS

A complete Viking longhouse has been found by an archaeological team on the Shetland island of Unst. It showed signs of having been occupied for a very long time.

By adding finds of pottery and other domestic items, it should be possible to build up a good picture of Viking life.

According to Mr. A. Small, who led a party of 12 students from Aberdeen University, finds suggest that the Vikings were not fishermen when they first arrived in the Shetlands, but gradually developed this way of life as the years went by.

## 40 YEARS AGO

(From CN issue dated 20th September, 1924.)

Australia, where distances are big and railways comparatively young, seems an ideal country for aviation.

The Controller of Civil Aviation, Lieutenant-Colonel Brinsmead, has just shown something of what can be done there by flying round the continent in 22 days.

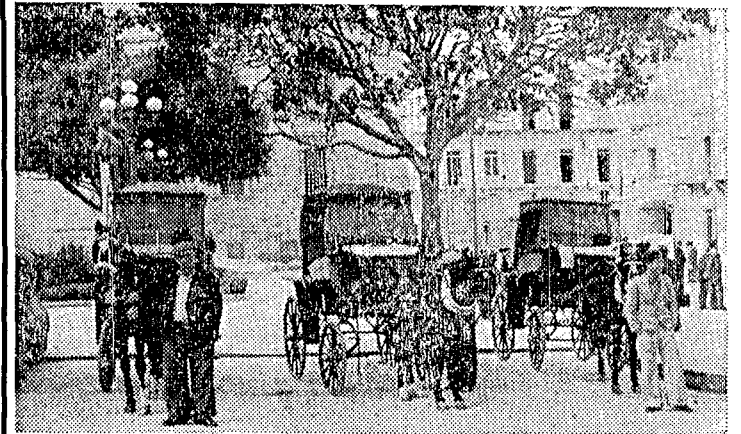
During his flight he covered 7,750 miles but actually he was only in the air for 85 hours. He experienced no trouble of any kind, and the cost of replacements to his machine was only 22 shillings.

Australian doctors now use aeroplanes quite frequently for visiting urgent cases of illness.

## It seems to me...

### THE GEORGE CROSS ISLAND

**W**HEN I last saw Malta, from the deck of a destroyer, Grand Harbour was under heavy air attack. I wasn't sorry to be leaving!



These small horse-drawn cabs ply for hire in Valletta.

But I had had some good times there—including several rides in little horse-cabs like these in my picture this week.

Malta is a lovely island. Its chief town, Valletta, is one of the most beautiful cities I have seen. Its countryside and villages are fascinating—and it's a grand place for a holiday. There are wonderful beaches—and, of course, there's all that sun!

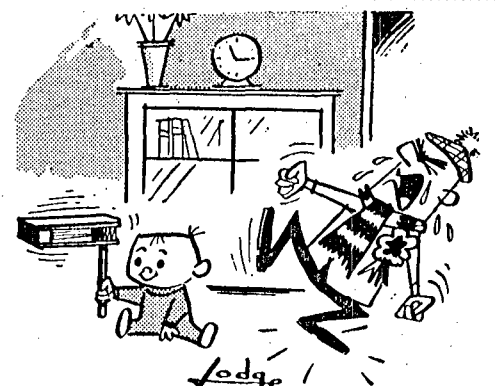
The Maltese are brave people, nice people. Let's hope they make a go of running their own affairs.

The Editor

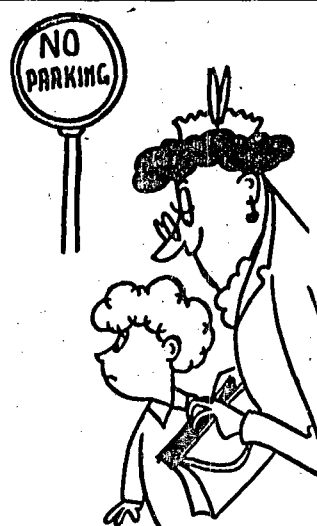
## LAUGH TIME



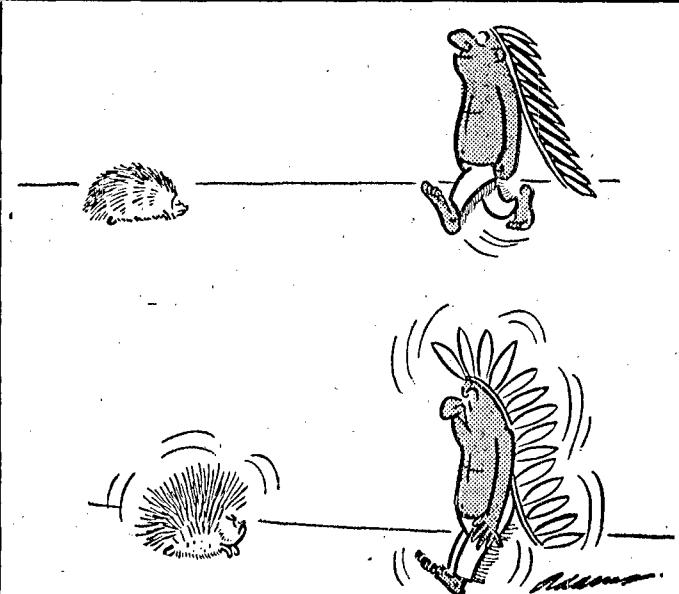
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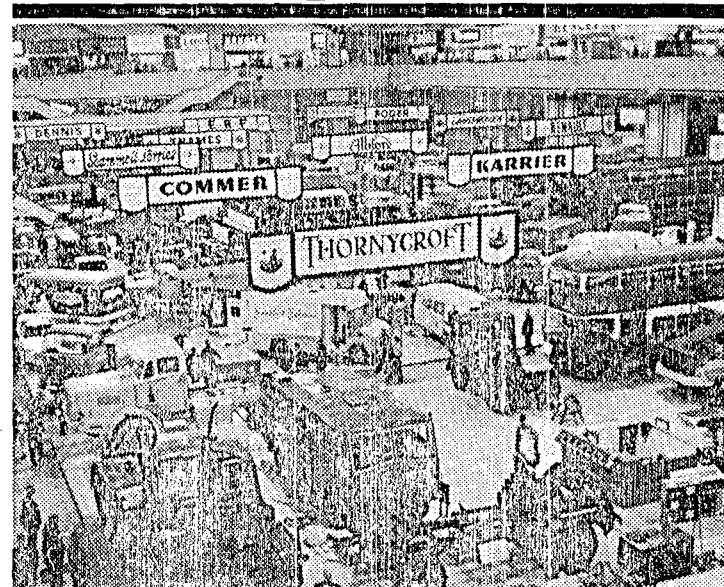
"I want my rattle!"



"Let's see if I can find tuppence for that nice policeman keeping an eye on our car."



## Coming Events



### Special Event

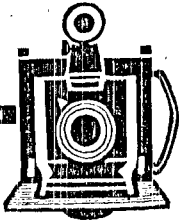
**LONDON:** Take a tube to Earls Court and inspect the many vehicles to be seen at the Commercial Motor Show, held from 25th September to 3rd October

### Also

**SANDWICH, Kent:** Ladies' British Open Amateur Golf Championship, 22nd-25th September

**HARROGATE:** BP Automobile Club President's Rally, 20th September





# KNOW YOUR NEWS

## REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT?

**I**N the American presidential campaign President Lyndon Johnson (Democrat), who succeeded the murdered President John Kennedy last year, is standing for re-election to the White House. Senator Barry Goldwater (Republican) from Arizona, grandson of a Russian immigrant, is fighting for the first time for the title of "Mr. President."

Let us take a quick look at the policies on which American electors in the 50 States will vote on 3rd November.

DEMOCRATIC policy is based on the creation, at home, of "the Great Society"—i.e. a way of life in which white and coloured Americans have equal rights—and keeping the peace abroad by a

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Special Correspondent**

combination of armed strength and patient attempts to negotiate with the Communist world.

A recent Act passed by Congress under the impetus of President Johnson pledges a better life to the nation's 17 million Negroes. But on this issue Mr. Johnson will be fiercely opposed by Mr. Goldwater, particularly in those southern and mid-western States which believe in second-class status for dark-skinned folk.

The Democrats also stand on their record since the last election

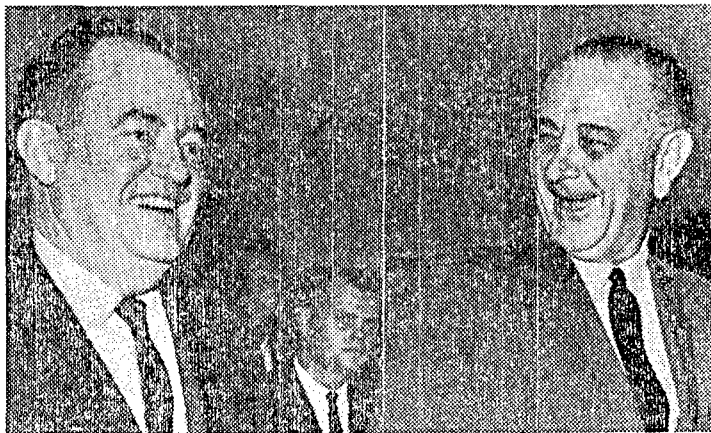
in 1960. In those four years, they say, they have created four million new jobs and added the equivalent of some £28,500,000,000 to the national pay-roll.

In foreign affairs the ultimate aim, while defending free

democracy wherever Communists threaten it, is to achieve "summit" talks with Russia.

REPUBLICAN policy has been interpreted abroad as being much tougher than the Democratic creed.

Republicans see no change in Communist plans to run the world. Until they *do* change, the Republicans think the cold war should be carried on "decisively," especially in the Far East. And everything should be done to end



President Johnson (right) and Senator Hubert Humphrey, the Democratic candidate for the Vice-Presidency

Dr. Castro's Russian-influenced regime in Cuba.

The Berlin Wall, built by the Communists between east and west sectors of the city three years ago, must be pulled down before the Republicans would discuss Germany's future with Russia.

Western alliances—NATO, CENTO and SEATO—must be strengthened and the United Nations Organisation improved.

At home the individual must stand on his own feet, without "hand-outs" or doles. But taxes



Senator Barry Goldwater (right) and Mr. William Miller, Republican Vice-Presidential candidate

and Government spending will be cut to help him.

The goal is "frugal but efficient" administration.

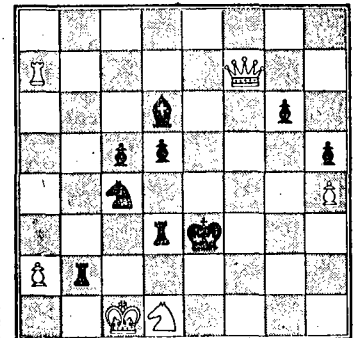
On the white-and-coloured question, the Republicans aim "to open the avenues of peaceful progress in solving racial controversies while discouraging lawlessness and violence."

## CN CHESS CLUB

**A. M. DAVIE** of Dundee has become the youngest player ever to win the Scottish Championship. He is only 18.

The Glorney Cup, an international junior team tournament, was very keenly contested recently. England won by a very close margin. Holland came second and Scotland third. The London Boy Champion, R. D. Keene, scored 4½ points out of 5 for the English team.

Keene figured in another important junior event held recently, the final of the *Sunday Times* Schools' Competition. His school, Dulwich College, was beaten by a team of older boys from Liverpool Institute High School. This is the second time the Merseyside team has won this tournament.



This week's problem comes from a game played in the Glorney Cup. Black, who is in check, mates White in four moves.

Answer on page 12 T. MARSDEN

## READERS' LETTERS

### INTERESTED IN PEOPLE

Dear Sir,—I have been reading CN for the past two years. I am interested in people who would like a pen pal.

I am a girl of 13. My hobbies are swimming, tennis, movies, reading, and music.

I live at a home, which has got 13 houses, not counting the hospital and the church. We have got two playing fields, a tennis court, and a park.

In the home we have got a lady called Miss Nixen. She selects an orchestra from the choir, which I am in. I also am in the orchestra. I play the handbells and melodica. At certain times I go to festivals with other children and play. The next festival I am going to is at Birmingham Town Hall.

Janice Edwards, Princess Alice School, Chester Road North, Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire.

### PERSONAL GIVENS

Dear Sir,—I should gladly correspond with somebody from England.

Any personal givens follows here:

I am a boy 15-years-old. I am at a Secondary Modern School. I should gladly correspond with a girl of my age, preferably with a photo.

Drik Vlag, 20 Schoolstraat, Heenvliet (ZH), Holland.

### FORCED FEEDING!

Dear Sir,—I have been reading CN for 3½ years now, at first because at my previous school, the headmaster encouraged us to read it. To make sure we read it thoroughly, he would give us ten questions, the answers to which were in articles in CN.

Now, even though I have moved, I still read CN, and find Pop Spot, Specially For Girls, and Shakespeare's plays especially enjoyable.

Denise Thompson (12), Hockley, Essex.

### HAYLEY AGAIN

Dear Sir,—Like Miss Vivian Coleman, I too am a great fan of Hayley Mills. Her latest film, *The Moonspinners*, deserves every award in the book.

Could you tell me whether there is a Hayley Mills fan club, and if there is, give me details?

Peter Caulfield, Upminster, Essex.

For Hayley Mills Fan Club, write to: Miss Janice Love, 33 Alders Avenue, Woodford Green, Essex. Membership costs 5s. a year, and for that fans are kept informed of Hayley's show business activities.—Editor.

### WELSH GOLD

Dear Sir,—Earlier this year (issue dated 9th May,) you published a reader's letter about the gold mines in North Wales.

You may be interested to know that from the descriptions given in CN, my father, brother, sister, and I were able to find the old workings, and very interesting they proved to be.

The surrounding area of thick forest, complete with waterfalls, was very beautiful and well worth the effort to discover, even if it was off the beaten track.

Caryl Hammond, Teignmouth.

### NUBIAN READERS PLEASE NOTE!

Dear Sir,—I am a chess player and would welcome a correspondence game from anyone, in any country.

I have heard from my father that there are many good chess players in Nubia, although there doesn't seem to be any correspondence from that country in CN.

Anne Foster (11), 59 Dilton Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 4.

The Editor is always pleased to receive letters from readers, and will publish as many as there is room for in this feature. The address to write to is: The Editor, Children's Newspaper, Fleetway House, Farringdon Street, London, E.C.4.

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## THIS WIDE WORLD

### OPERATION "PORK CHOPPER"

An RAF helicopter recently landed at Barco, Sarawak, with an unusual load—two pigs, chickens, several bags of rice, and a Kelabit farmer and his daughter. It was flying them to a new long-house being built on a temporary site cleared in the jungle. Operation "Pork Chopper" was in progress.

The helicopter was helping to resettle the Kelabit tribe. With the threat from Indonesian terrorists, protection of the jungle long-houses is difficult, and so came the trek to new homes.

### Big Task

The project had long been considered by the Sarawak Government, but it meant moving big quantities of stores and livestock along tracks over long distances. With the arrival of the combined British-Malaysian forces and RAF helicopters, the way lay open to begin the task.

Active members of the tribe went on foot, driving their cattle before them, but the very young and the elderly Kelabits, as well as pigs, chickens, and stores, went by air.

Operation "Pork Chopper" is, it seems, going with a swing.

### BEEF REPLACES BUFFALOES

The Northern Territory of Australia has far too many buffaloes; so it is planned to kill between 150,000 and 200,000 of them in the next 20 years. But they are not to be exterminated; numbers of them will be driven into areas set aside as reserves, where control can be exercised.

The buffaloes were introduced into the Territory more than a century ago, and they are to be replaced by beef cattle, which are a better commercial proposition.

### HEARING HIMSELF SPEAK A FOREIGN TONGUE

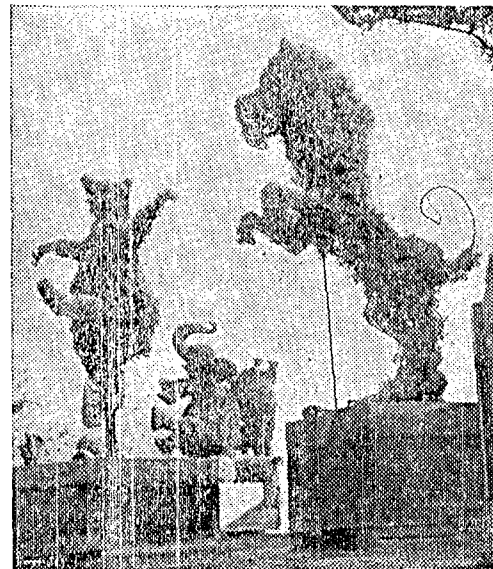
ONE of the world's most modern classrooms for teaching languages has been opened at Yale University in Connecticut, USA. It is in the new Foreign Language Centre, which has individual booths for 116 students who can dial lessons of their choice in 20 different languages, just as one dials a telephone number.

Each booth is equipped with a microphone, a set of earphones, volume controls, and a dial. The student dials a code number which starts a tape recorder in another room. The recorder plays the indicated lesson into the student's earphones.

The student can also talk into the microphone, and hears his voice through the earphones. This allows him to compare his pronunciation with that in the recording.

At the end of the lesson, the recorder automatically rewinds the tape so that it is ready for further use. The system can play up to 60 different lessons at the same time, and any number of students in the classroom can join in the same lesson.

Known as a "language laboratory," the classroom is stocked with more than 5,000 tapes in 20 languages.



### ANIMALS FROM SHRUBS

Most of us at some time or another have seen an example of topiary (clipping and ornamental shaping of shrubs). Pictured here are some magnificent specimens at California's Disneyland. There are 25 shapes in all, ranging from background scenes to a variety of animals

### SAVING BLIND MEN FROM THE DESERT

Four young Englishmen are helping to build a centre for blind Arabs in a desolate spot some 160 miles north of Aden. And the leader of the four is himself blind.

He is Mr. Roger Goodchild (22), a fully qualified electronic development engineer from Romford, Essex. He and his companions went to Arabia last November to

serve for a year under the Voluntary Services Overseas scheme. When they started work on the centre, they were joined by a blind Arab worker.

Sponsored by the Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind, the centre is the first of its kind in Arabia. Its aim is to teach some 50 blind men a year the art of agriculture and animal husbandry so that they may become smallholders, and thus be able to lead a settled life far removed from their old precarious existence of begging as they roamed the desert.

In due course the centre will be enlarged to cover about 30 acres in order that farming and poultry breeding can be introduced. Later will come forestry work, citrus growing, and fish farming.

### AN ISLAND OF BATS

A colony of rare native short-tailed bats is being studied on a small island off the coast of Stewart Island, New Zealand.

Previously believed to have become extinct by 1930, the colony actually numbers about 300.

### ANTARCTIC ROCK IS MILLIONS OF YEARS OLD

American geologists near the South Pole have found layers of rock formed between 600 million and 400 million years ago. The discovery may help scientists find out what happened during the 200-million-year interval in the ice-bound Antarctic continent.

Little is known about the geological history of the area, for, until this discovery, only small, scattered deposits dating from that era had been found.

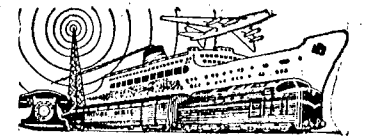
### Underwater Layers

A United States Geological Survey party found the so-called "early Paleozoic" (ancient life) deposits in what is known as the Neptune Range of the Pensacola Mountains. The rocks consist of sedimentary layers formed originally beneath bodies of water.

The folding of the layers indicates that mountains had formed and flattened out twice before the present range of mountains arose.

The rock specimens collected will have to undergo laboratory examinations before more detailed information about the area's history can be known.

## BRIEFLY...



### Bigger Exports

Canada's wheat exports last year totalled a record 520 million bushels, of which more than 200 million bushels went to Russia.

Auditions for playing membership of the London Junior Orchestra (Ernest Read Music Assoc.) are being held shortly. Enquiries to the Secretary, 151 King Henry's Road, London, N.W.3

### Modern Works

During the next 2½ years, British Railways will spend £1,250,000 in modernising the Derby locomotive works.

A Northern Ireland firm has received from the Bulgarian Government a £40,000 order for 20,000 dozen socks.

### Grave Discoveries

Two Roman graves, dated between A.D. 50 and A.D. 80, have been unearthed at St. Cross, Winchester.

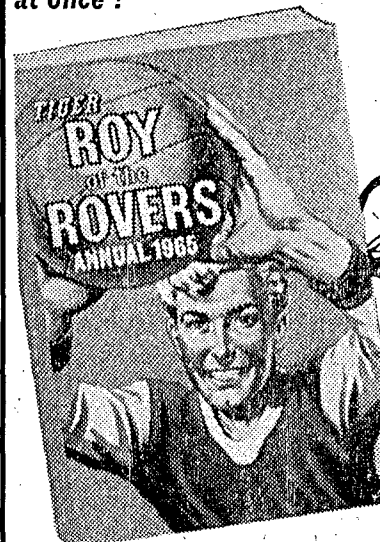
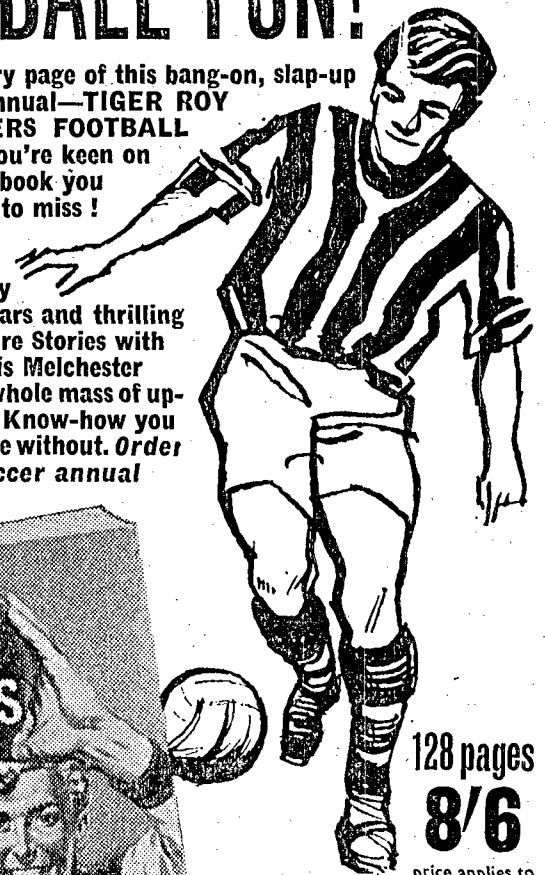
Under an Anglo-Soviet cultural agreement, 20 British graduates are spending a year at universities in the USSR.

### No Post

There will be no Christmas Day deliveries in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland this year, but in Scotland postal work will be as usual.

## FOOTBALL FUN!

It's there in every page of this bang-on, slap-up soccer man's annual—TIGER ROY OF THE ROVERS FOOTBALL ANNUAL! If you're keen on soccer, this is a book you just can't afford to miss! There are superb action photos of internationally famous soccer stars and thrilling full-length Picture Stories with Roy Race and his Melchester Rovers. Plus a whole mass of up-to-date Football Know-how you simply dare not be without. Order this unique soccer annual at once!



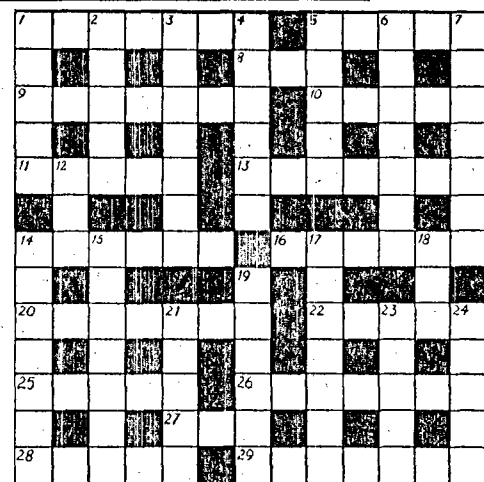
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### Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS: 1 Large scoop-billed fishing bird. 5 Hungarian pianist and composer of the 19th century. 8 Before. 9 Submerge. 10 Conscious of. 11 The same again. 13 Old-time dance. 14 Egyptian figure with human head and lion's body. 16 Deep valley worn by a river. 20 Respects. 22 Confronts. 25 Water-lily. 26 First. 27 Small barrel. 28 Toils. 29 Memorable. DOWN: 1 Snooped. 2 Boundary. 3 Pictorial caricature. 4 Sewing instrument. 5 Acquire knowledge. 6 Dignified. 7 Betrayal. 12 Mischievous child. 14 Superficial. 15 Burrowing rodent. 17 To distress. 18 Undivided. 19 Appoint. 21 Hazards. 23 To mount. 24 Find the answer.



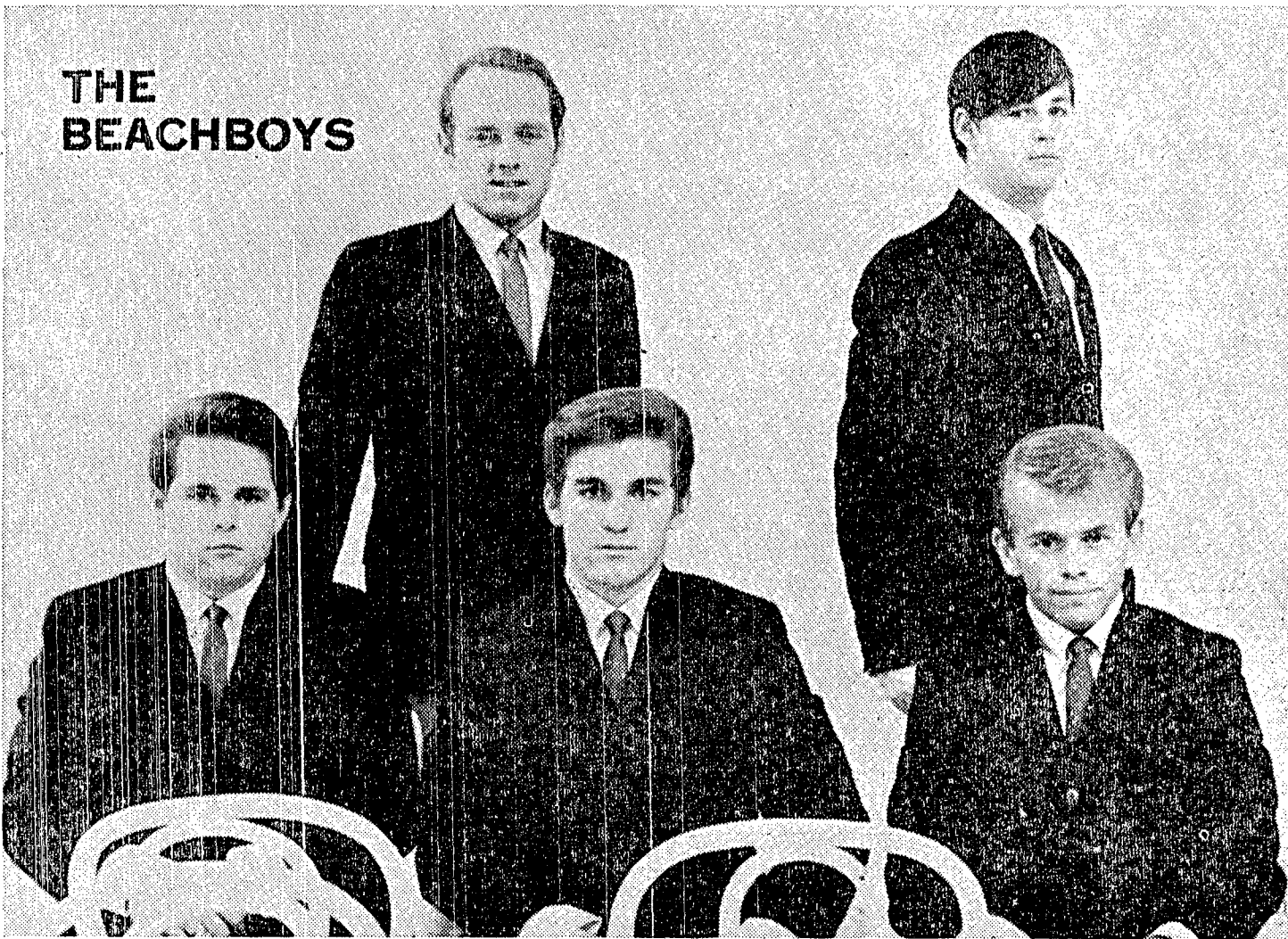
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# POP SPOT

Meet **THE BEACH BOYS**  
—five young Americans  
who have popularised  
sport and hobby in song

## THE BEACHBOYS



It's a "long-rolling breaker" from the surfin' fans of America, which has kept **THE BEACH BOYS** on the crest of their Chart-wave in the USA. Coast-to-coast success for singing hobby-songs of surfing and drag racing (see page 12) gained this talented fivesome group five gold discs, but, unable to understand their foreign-sounding references to sport, the British pop-buying public were not interested.

Then The Beach Boys—the three Wilson brothers, a cousin and a friend—made a record about the fastest car in town, and that needed no translation. Now, *I Get Around* is rated highly in our Top Twenty.

The group's manager, father of the Wilson boys, says of their forthcoming visit: "The boys won't be here to earn money but to thank teenagers for liking their record." One way for The Beach Boys to gain more British fans is to sing of sports more widely appreciated this side of the Atlantic—like pot-holing and ten-pin bowling. They'd really be on the ball with the latter!

## SPECIALLY FOR GIRLS

### AN EASY-TO-MAKE FLOWER POT HOLDER

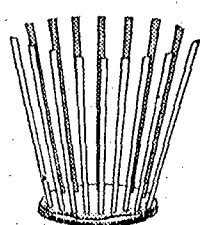
**NOTHING** could be simpler to make than this attractive flower-pot holder. And you can make it in any one of a great number of colours, or colour-combinations.

You'll need:—

One packet of coloured wooden spills;

A piece of coloured Plasticine;

A small piece of strong cardboard for the base;



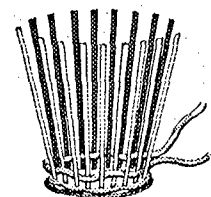
A yard of coloured raffia or ribbon. First cut a round of cardboard about the size of the top of a large teacup. Roll out the Plasticine to about ¼ inch thick, make it into a flat round and fit over the cardboard base. Press on hard.

Now take the spills (using either alternate colours or whatever colours you've chosen) and press each one into the Plasticine just inside the outer edge. Set them very close, side by side but at a

slightly outward angle (see first diagram).

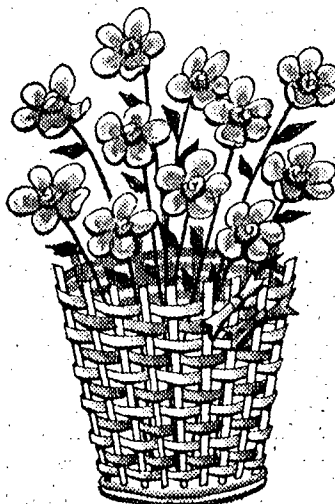
When the circle is complete, take either the raffia or ribbon and weave this fairly loosely behind one spill and in front of the next as shown in the second diagram. About 2 inches from the top, tie ends and cut.

Now weave a second row just above the first one, taking the raffia or ribbon behind the spill you went over, and in front of the spill you previously went behind. Tie and cut as before.



Now your pot-holder is complete and should look very gay, like the one shown in the next column.

This would be a lovely present to make for one of the family or a friend.



The finished holder

### SISTERS



### JOAN'S WORKING HOLIDAY

**GAINING** practical farm experience is 19-year-old Joan Brown, daughter of Sir Allen Brown, deputy High Commissioner for Australia.

Pictured here, Joan is seen with the milking machines on a farm at Tarrington, Herefordshire. Apart from helping to milk 58 dairy Ayrshires, she has been learning how to groom pedigree cattle.

The experience gained during her vacation from Bristol University will help in her studies, for Joan hopes to qualify as a veterinary surgeon in about four years' time.

When that happens, she will have to decide whether to practise in England or Australia. At



Joan with the milking machines present Joan is still undecided. "Both are lovely countries," she says.

### GRANNY'S DELICIOUS RECIPE

**HERE** is a delicious-sounding recipe for making *Granny's Chocolate Raisin Fudge*. The ingredients you'll need are:—

- 2 tablespoons seedless raisins
- 1 packet chocolate Polka Dots
- 2 oz. butter
- 4 tablespoons evaporated milk
- 12 oz. icing sugar
- An 8-inch square tin

Grease inside of tin with a little butter and line with waxed paper. Put icing sugar through sieve. Then, in a basin over a saucepan of hot water, melt the chocolate Dots and butter. Stir until smooth.

Remove from heat. Stir in evaporated milk and raisins. Gradually stir in sieved icing sugar until fudge is smooth and thick. Put into tin. Spread evenly, then rough up surface slightly with a fork. Leave in cool place to harden. When set, remove from tin, peel off paper and cut into squares.

Ummm! It makes my mouth water just to think of it!

*Vicky*





## HOW WE RUN OUR COUNTRY

### CONTEMPT OF THE HOUSE

**THE** House of Commons possesses certain privileges which are necessary if it is to carry out its work efficiently.

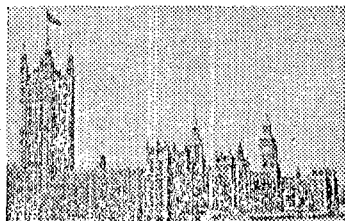
The House of Commons also has the power to uphold its own dignity and authority. In much the same way as a court of law can punish acts of "contempt," Parliament has the right to punish anybody, either inside or outside the House, who is guilty of a breach of privilege; that is, of offending against the rights and dignity of the House. If any MP or any outsider commits an act of contempt against the House, or against an individual MP, Parliament can punish that person.

#### No Clear Rules

There are no clear rules as to exactly what "contempt" is. Each case is considered individually. In the past, however, a variety of actions have been held to be "contempt." They include:

- (1) Disorderly conduct in the House
- (2) Disobeying the rules of the House

- (3) Bribery and corruption
- (4) Making speeches or writing articles which reflect badly and unfairly on the House of Members of the House



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- (5) Intimidating or molesting a Member
- (6) Trying to influence unfairly the way an MP votes
- (7) Making a personal statement to the House which contains an untruth.

Breach of privilege and contempt of the House are dealt with

in exactly the same way, so both types of case have come to be regarded as questions of privilege.

In recent years most "privilege" cases have actually been cases of alleged "contempt."

In March, 1964, it was suggested that Mr. Quintin Hogg, a Government Minister, had committed a breach of privilege in a speech he made to a meeting in Chatham, Kent.

#### MP's Complaint

A Labour MP (Mr. George Wigg) complained that Mr. Hogg had committed a contempt of the House by referring to "subversive activities" by members of the Labour Party (subversive means destructive). This complaint was examined and it was held that in fact no breach of privilege and no contempt of the House had been committed.

Next Week :

THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

## TAKE A LOOK AT NATURE



### OLD WIVES' TALES

**THE** number of legends and superstitions about animals would fill a book. Some of them seem to have no foundation at all, but a few have some sort of basis. So let us take a selection and examine them.

One of the oldest is that toads spit poison. It is hardly necessary to point out that toads *don't* spit, and I am sure this belief arose from the way toads flick out their tongues to get their prey, the quick movement making people think that they spit.

(used when mating) and these might possibly be mistaken for stinging organs. Dragonflies cannot sting at all, and never go near horses unless the latter are by a pond where dragonflies may be hawking insect food.

It is a popular idea that mon-

gooses live entirely on venomous snakes. This is rubbish. It is true that a mongoose, if it encounters a snake, will attack it, avoiding being bitten by using its great agility and its power to make

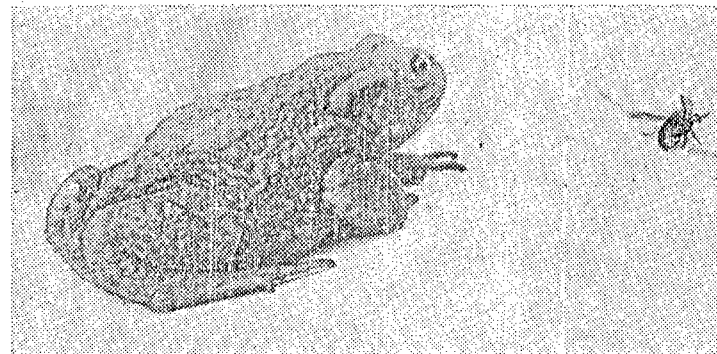
its fur stand out, and that any snake killed will be eaten. However, mongooses prey on lizards, rats, insects, and birds and their eggs, and they probably eat more of these than they do snakes. I suppose there are more "old wives' tales" about snakes than any other kind of animal. One yarn which always amuses me is about the so-called "hoop-snake" of South Africa. This is supposed to seize its own tail in its mouth and bowl along like a child's hoop! Needless to say, this is complete nonsense.

Then there is the snake with two heads—one at each end!

by  
**Maxwell Knight**

This refers to some species of burrowing snakes which have very blunt tails. If there *were* such a creature as a two-headed serpent, it would be fun if the two heads (complete with eyes, of course) spotted prey in opposite directions. What would happen, and which head would win?

The story I like best is that badgers, living in steep, hilly country, have the legs on one side shorter than the other to make travelling easier. There are no prizes for spotting the catch in this one.



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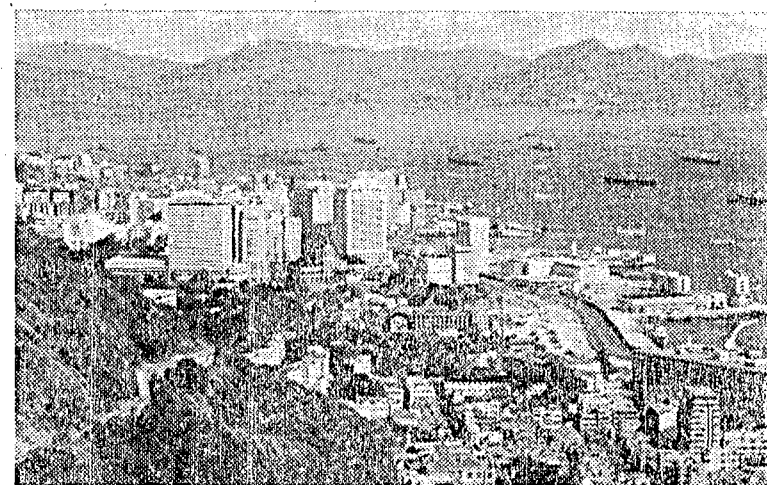
The quite harmless dragonflies are still referred to as "horse-stingers" in some country districts. It is true that at the end of their bodies these beautiful insects have what are called *claspers*

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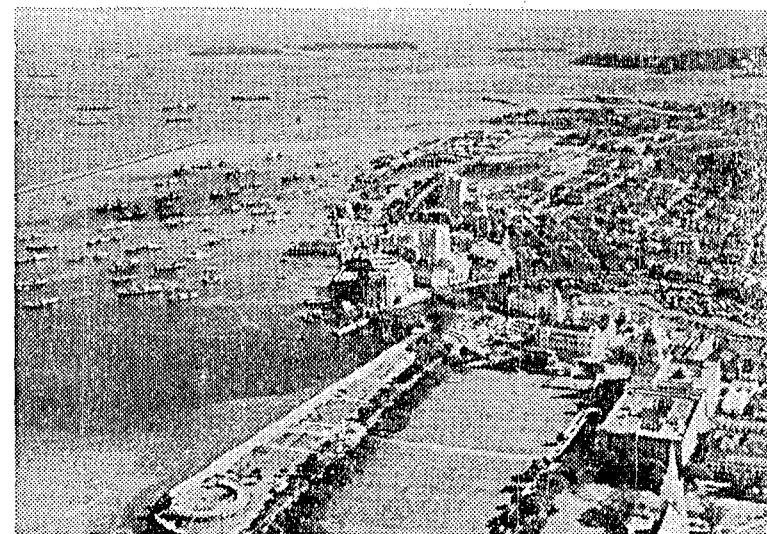
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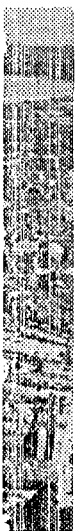


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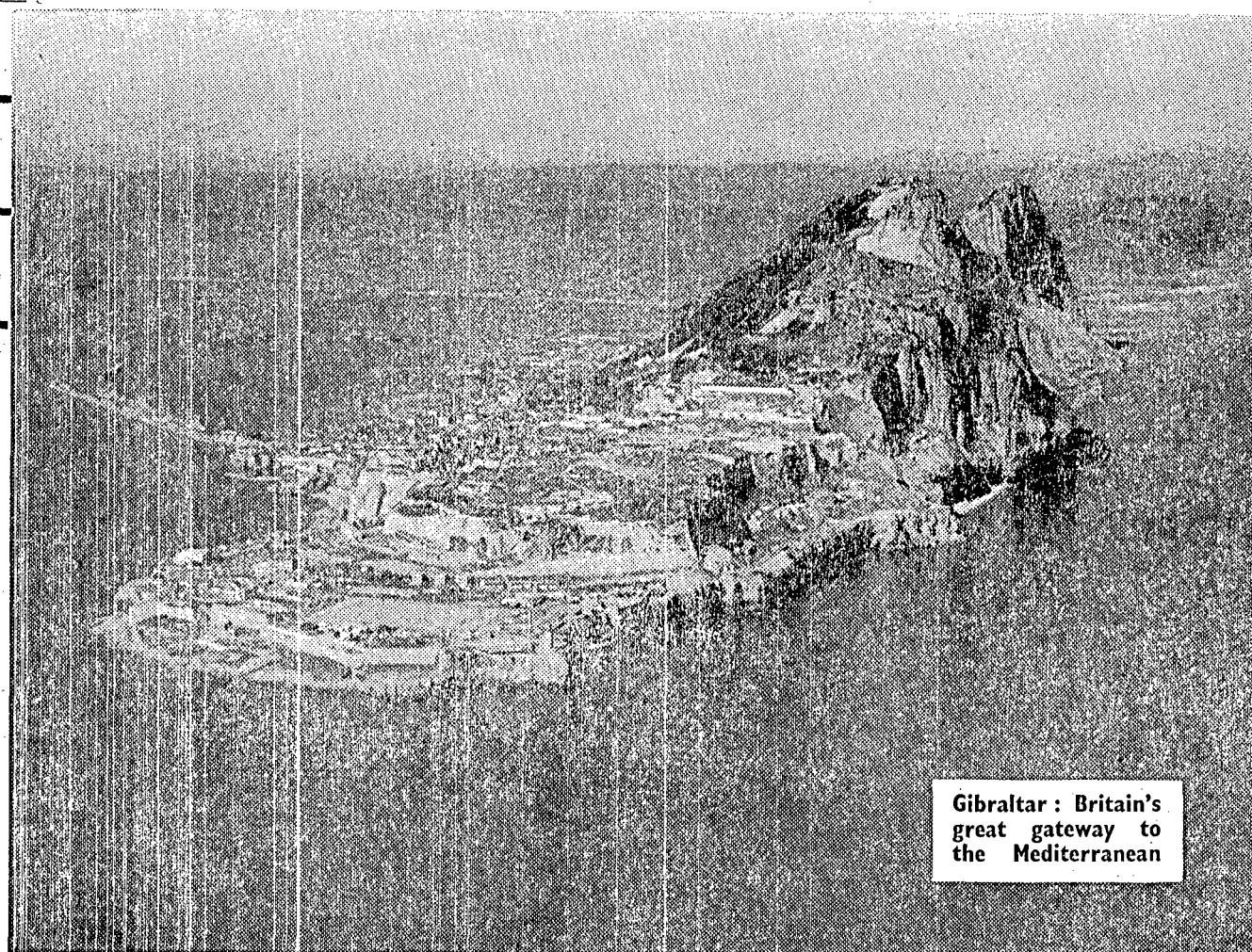
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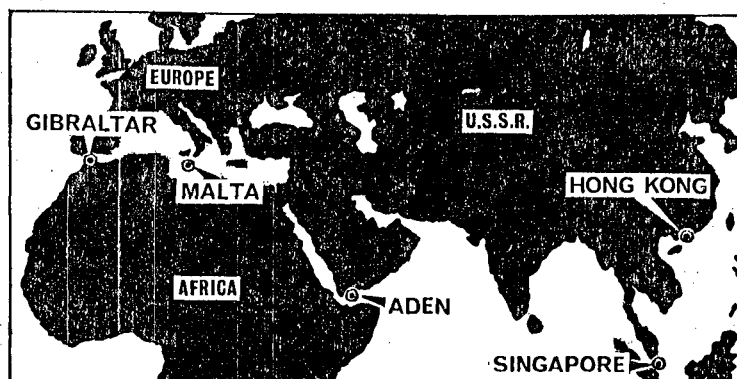
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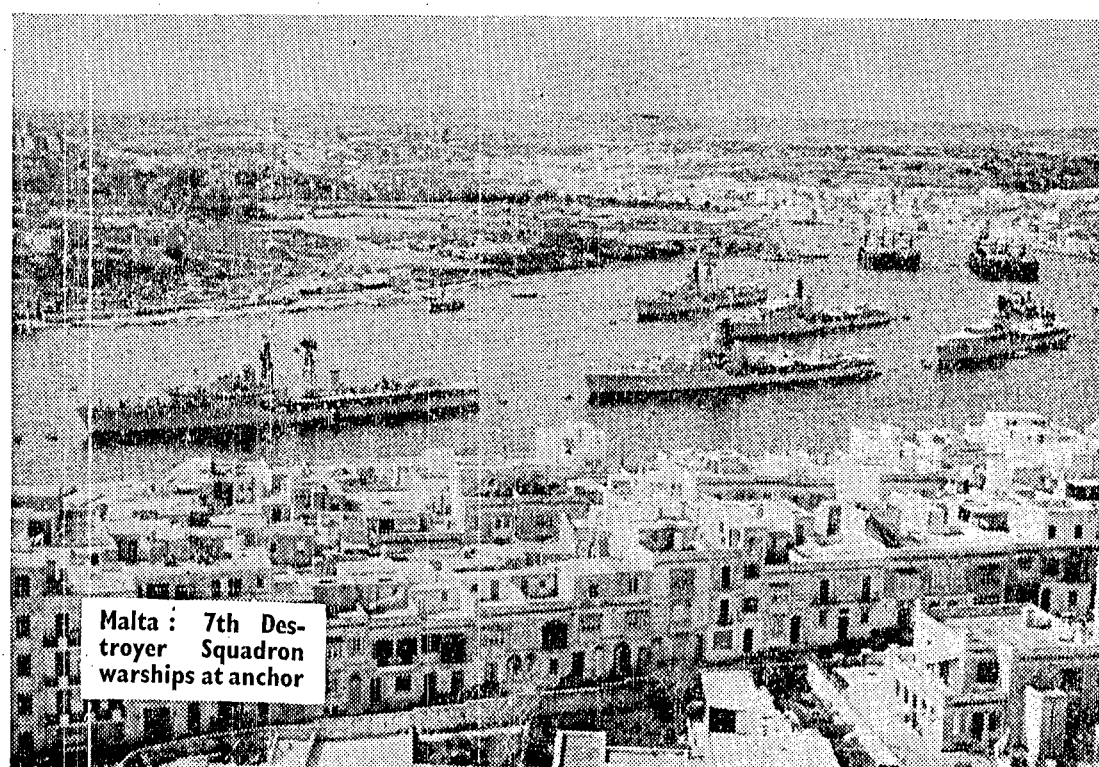
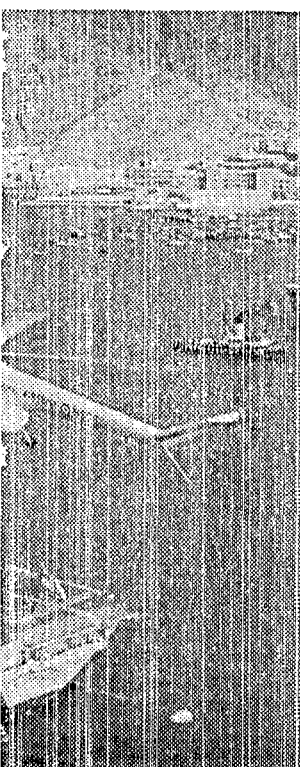
Gibraltar: Britain's great gateway to the Mediterranean

It has often been stated that Britain, as a nation of sea traders, needs to keep the shipping lanes of the world safe from interference, not only for herself but for other countries too.

The drastic reduction in the extent of what used to be called The British Empire has not changed this situation. And the British Bases seen on this page form stepping stones for security across the world, from Gibraltar to Hong Kong. Fuel stores of all kinds are available for the defence forces which may be called upon at any time to meet some sudden emergency. In this way Britain helps to safeguard her great fleet of merchant ships, and world trade as well.



Special CN map showing Britain's five main bases across the world



Malta: 7th Destroyer Squadron warships at anchor

From a CN Reader

## DIGGING THE PRESENT

LOTS of people go digging about for relics of the past. But have you ever thought of making a record of the present for the future?

It could be a fascinating hobby. I remember being shown a scrap book covering a period of 20 years, with pictures of famous people of the time—in politics, the theatre and cinema and sport.

If you begin a record, you should have a file, and pictures and cuttings should be cut out and pasted neatly into it. Try to keep your file country by country, in order, for easy reference. How interesting will be the records of space adventure!

You could also record local events and changes. Look round your town or village. How long will it stay unchanged? Old buildings are cleared, new roads and bridges are made, new industries are introduced, and increasing population needs homes, schools, churches and theatres.

### Vanishing Country

It is very easy to forget the old conditions once the new ones are established. Lovely countryside often vanishes under new housing estates, shops and offices, and only names preserve the past. So, when you are aware of coming changes, try to take photographs, or make sketches of the old buildings and places before they vanish.

How proudly some places claim to be the birthplace of great men and women, but produce little information about them! When I visited the Rhine, I was impressed by the way my hotel proprietor could show me all the things connected with Bismarck—his pen, his chair, his table and so on. In Guernsey I was shown the chessmen which Napoleon used during his imprisonment on St. Helena. Just looking at them made the great man more real to me. Your pictures and stories would do the same for you in the future.

### Many Sources

There are many sources for your research. Local and national newspapers, magazines, etc, could all be useful. Before they are thrown away, examine them very thoroughly.

This hobby could be continued on holiday, too, and make it all the more interesting. Your holiday discoveries could also lead to exciting winter reading and in this way add to your record.

So why not try some "Digging" for your future? It's a hobby anyone can start.

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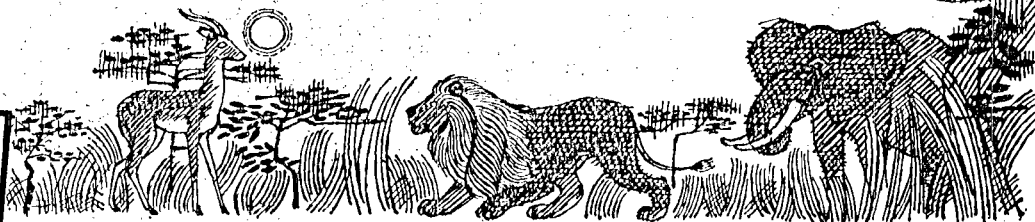
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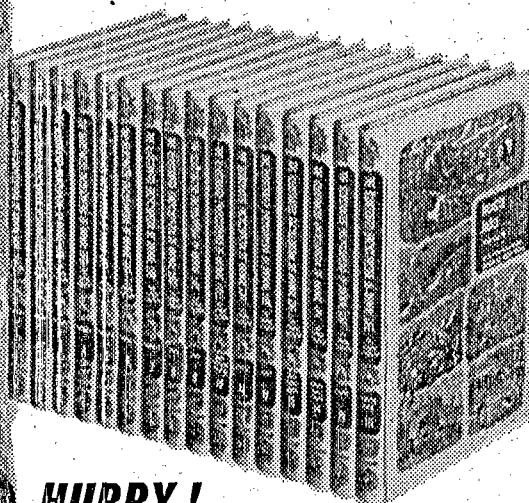
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# The Merchant of Venice

In Venice there were two merchants. One, Antonio, was kind and generous, and the other was the grasping and hard-hearted Shylock.

Antonio's friend Bassanio needed money to woo a lovely heiress named Portia. Antonio borrowed 3,000 ducats for him from Shylock—Antonio's own money was all invested just then.

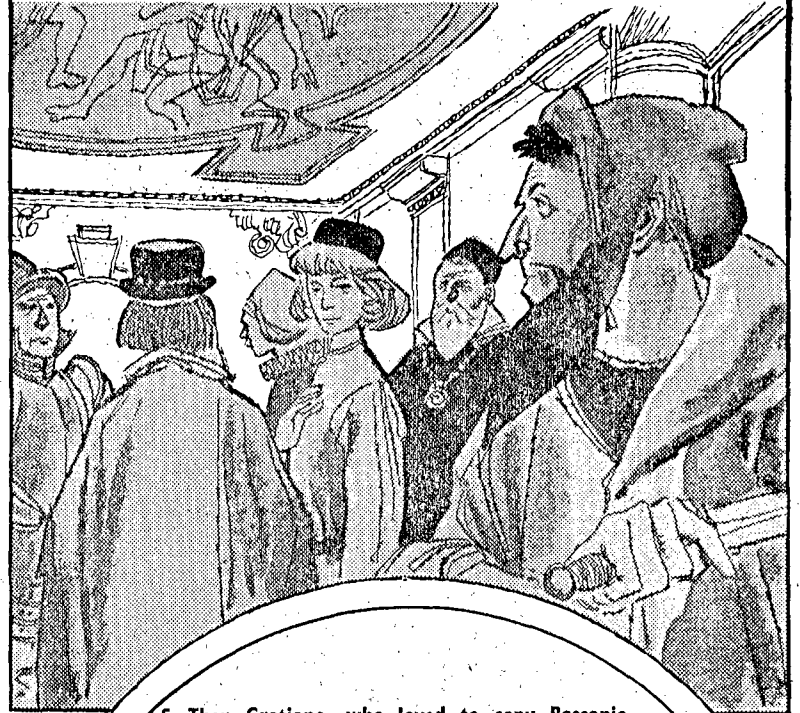
Shylock, who hated Antonio, made a strange condition for the loan—that, if Antonio could not repay it, he should forfeit a pound of his flesh instead . . .

Antonio found he could not repay the money. Must he pay the forfeit? The case came for trial before the Duke of Venice. And Portia, now married to Bassanio, disguised herself as a lawyer to defend her husband's best friend.

1. Having re-read the terms of the loan, Portia—disguised as the lawyer "Dr. Balthasar"—had no option but to agree that the day for repayment having passed, by the laws of Venice, Shylock had the right to extract this terrible forfeit. Again she urged the money-lender to show mercy to Antonio by taking the money and letting her tear up the Bond, but Shylock's unyielding reply revealed even more clearly his merciless streak of cruelty: "By my soul," he exclaimed, "I swear there is no power in the tongue of man to alter me." This being so, Portia said, the law must take its course.



2. Sadly she turned to Antonio and told him he must prepare himself. There was nothing more she could do. Meanwhile, Shylock stood sharpening his knife.

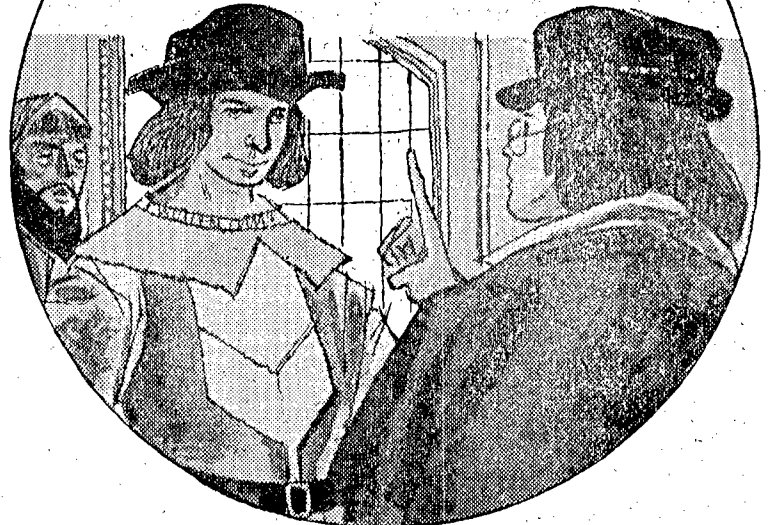


3. Anxiously, Portia asked Antonio if he had anything to say before Shylock began to take his forfeit of flesh. Calmly Antonio told the disguised Portia that he was already resigned to his fate. Turning, he said: "Give me your hand, Bassanio. Farewell. Grieve not that I have fallen into this misfortune for your sake. Tell your wife how I have loved you!" In great distress Bassanio replied: "I am married to a wife as dear to me as life itself; but life itself, my wife, and all the world are not so dear to me as your life. I would sacrifice all to deliver you from cruel Shylock's knife."



4. The "lawyer" told Bassanio: "Your wife would give you little thanks if she were present to hear you say this!"

5. Then Gratiano, who loved to copy Bassanio, said much the same, within hearing of his own wife, Nerissa (who was disguised as Portia's clerk). She promptly told him it was as well he spoke the words behind his wife's back, or it would make trouble in the home!



6. Impatiently Shylock called out: "We are wasting time. Pronounce the sentence!" Then, calling for the scales to weigh the forfeit, Portia told Shylock he must have a surgeon present, in case Antonio should bleed to death. But Shylock said it was not specified in the bond.

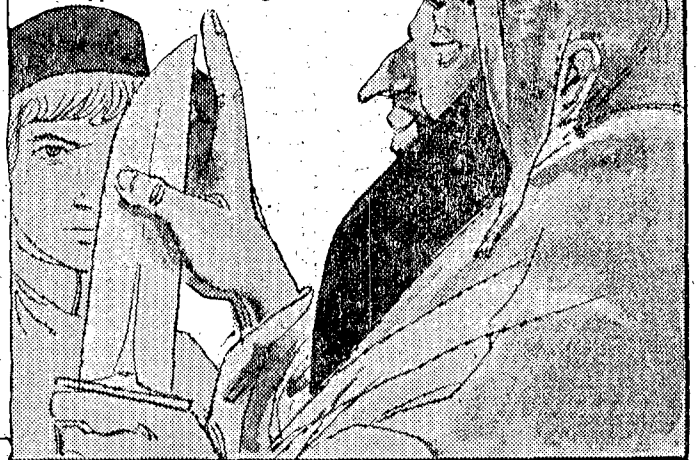


7. "No, it was not mentioned in the Bond, but what of that?" asked Portia. "At least you could show that much charity." But Shylock only repeated that it was not agreed that a surgeon was to be present.

Portia then said that by law Shylock must be allowed his pound of flesh—and again Shylock called Portia a wise, upright judge.

All then watched intently as the money-lender re-sharpened his knife and eagerly looked toward Antonio.

8. The drama was at its height. The Duke of Venice, the Senators, Bassanio, and the two ladies, disguised in their robes, watched Antonio slowly approach the waiting knife . . .





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# WORLD OF STAMPS

## "OPEN WIDE!" ON A STAMP



A SCHOOL dentist giving treatment to a young patient is seen on a new stamp, pictured here, from Papua and New Guinea. This territory forms part of the large Pacific island of New Guinea and is under Australian protection.

The stamp is one of a series of four issued in honour of the territory's Health Service. Much of Papua and New Guinea consists of mountains covered with dense tropical jungle, and many Papuans live in primitive villages far from proper schools and hospitals. The responsibility of the Health Service is therefore great. Special efforts are being made to care for young children, and

white, and blue. "Register Vote" advises the slogan.

Another new American stamp, due for issue this week, honours two brothers, William and Charles Mayo. Sons of a doctor and



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shows a view of the Tongariro National Park, with the volcano of Ngauruhoe in the background. Issued in 1960, the stamp was originally coloured a very dark brown. It has now been re-issued and improved with the design slightly altered and printed in blue, yellow and two shades of green.

ELECTION fever is mounting in the USA and to encourage all adult Americans to take an active part in electing their next President, the United States Post Office has issued the special stamp pictured here. The American flag is shown in its proper colours of red,

one of the new stamps shows a Papuan mother bringing her baby to a clinic run by an Australian doctor. Another stamp depicts a student at the Papuan Medical College, opened in 1956.

The Director of Posts has also announced that Papua and New Guinea are to have a fine new series of stamps for ordinary use. Each stamp will show, in colour, one of the territory's wild birds.

The first values of this new series will appear next month. Details of the designs will be announced later, but among the birds is "The Emperor of Germany Bird of Paradise," so the series promises to be an attractive one.

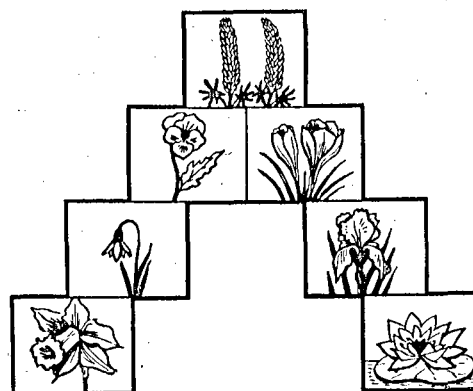
COLOUR has certainly made a difference to the 3s. New Zealand stamp pictured here. It



## PICK A PUZZLE

### WILD FLOWER

Name the seven flowers and then re-arrange the initial letters of each to form an eighth one, the first three letters of which spell a four-legged beast, and the remaining four a word meaning to slide.



### GEOGRAPHICAL JUMBLE

Here are the jumbled names of a Welsh county; a famous Gate in Berlin; and one of the United States of America. See if you can sort them out.

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### RIDDLE-ME-REE

My first is in sole but never in heel,  
My second's in cotton but never in reel;  
My third is in street and also in road,  
My fourth is in Morse and also in code.  
My fifth is in lock but absent from key,  
My sixth is in leg though it isn't in knee;  
My last is in square but never in round,  
My name in a Charles Dickens' novel is found.

### ODD ONE OUT

One of the names below is out of place among its companions. Which, and why?

Gobi, Kalahari, Sahara, Kanchenjunga, Atacama.

### DO YOU KNOW?

What were the words used to open the robbers' dungeon in *Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves*?

"Q" was the pen-name of which famous novelist, poet, essayist, and critic?

Why is the "jeep" so-called?

### BOYS FOR BLANKS

Two boys' names inserted in the blank columns will form six words reading across.

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R	N	E
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Answers to puzzles are on page 12



# THOSE PIPERS AGAIN!

*When you get into trouble, it never seems to end ;  
life isn't happy any more, but miserable and nasty*

The Piper family—Mum, Dad, Vince, Tas and Leonie—live in a Tasmanian valley.

Tas and Leonie go to the same school as Bulldog Rainbird. The Rainbirds are a poor and unhappy family.

Trouble arises among the Pipers too. Tas, supposed to pay the family milk bill, asks Bulldog to take the money for him. But Bulldog steals the money—and Tas gets the blame.

Tas is particularly upset because Leonie thinks he is a thief—and even more so when she is hurt in a mishap at school.

Tas tells the story . . .

## 7. "You Stole Them!"

WHEN Dad went down to Mrs. Galt's on Saturday to phone the hospital, they said Leonie had broken her arm and would have to stay in a few days while they saw how it went on. They said he didn't ought to worry, because it was a nice clean break. I ask you! Half a school falls on a kid and just about scares the daylight out of her and they say it's a nice clean break, like you might say it's a nice day or a nice dinner or a nice hot bath or something.

"Take it easy, Tas," Dad said. "It's just their way of talking. They mean it'll heal up quick. I mean, it's turned out she was lucky."

"How can anyone be lucky having a school fall on them?" I said.

"Relatively lucky," said Dad. "I mean, it might have been a lot worse."

"I can't see why it had to be her at all," I said. "She didn't do anything wrong. There are plenty of other people it could have happened to."

"That's not the way with accidents."

"It's not the way it ought to be," I said. "It could have happened to Bulldog or me. We were both right underneath. It doesn't make sense."

The hospital people said we could go in and visit her on Sunday if we liked, so of course we all went. Vince took the bus because the Moxons wanted to go in and see their little girl, and Vince said he might as well give them a lift while he was at it, especially as it's twenty-five miles to Hobart and no buses on a Sunday.

The Moxon kid had concussion, they said. She seemed all right, but they were keeping her there a few days under observation.

"Be company for Leonie," Mum said. She has a knack of seeing the cheerful side.

As we were going into the ward, a nurse came rustling up and stopped us at the door.

"Are you Mrs. Piper?" she said to Mum.

"That's right. We've come to see our Leonie."

"The arm's mending very nicely," this nurse said. "Very nicely indeed. But we're a bit worried about Leonie's general condition. She worries about something, but she won't talk. She just sits there for hours on end. And the night nurse says she talks a lot in her sleep. Goes on and on about forgetting to pay the milk money. And she keeps calling for someone named Tas."

"That's me," I said.

The nurse looked pleased. "Oh well," she said. "Perhaps you can find out what's worrying her."

"I reckon I know," I said.

THEN we went into the ward and sort of stood round Leonie's bed, like she was on show in a shop and we were thinking whether we'd buy her.

She didn't say anything when we said hello; just looked at us. After a while someone got Mum a chair, but the rest of us kept standing around.

First Mum would say something, then Dad would, then maybe Vince would chip in, mostly trying to be

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funny. Leonie looked at each one, but from the expression on her face you couldn't tell whether she was listening or not. I saw Vince glancing at the clock now and then.

About twenty minutes after we'd gone in, Leonie said to Mum, "Did anything happen about that money? I mean, did Tas say where it went to?"

"I gave it to Bulldog," I burst out. "Like I always said."

"Oh," Leonie said, sort of disappointed.

"You don't want to worry yourself about that," Mum said. "It's old history. We've all forgotten it."

"I'm rather tired," Leonie said. "I think I'll go to sleep now. Thank you for coming to see me."

Dad said, "It's only half-past three. They said we could stay till four."

But Leonie edged herself down in the bed and closed her eyes. There didn't seem anything we could do but leave, so we crept quietly away.

Outside by the bus, Dad said to me, "Well, you certainly managed to cheer her up, you did."

"Leave the boy alone," Mum said.

"I can't tell lies just because Leonie's got it all wrong," I said indignantly.

"Maybe not," said Dad.

As we drove back, Mum and Dad talked about Leonie and how they were worried about her, but I didn't say anything.

ON Monday there wasn't any school. I went down and hung around until the man from the department came up to inspect the damage.

There was some talk of taking over the church as a schoolroom until the building could be put right again, but then they changed their minds and said we were all to go down to New Norfolk for a week or two. The other kids were excited at the idea, but I didn't care much what happened. I was a long way past caring what happened at school.

As it happened, when we got down to the school in New Norfolk, I did care quite a bit. I mean, it was so different from what we were used to.

In the first place, there was New Norfolk itself. Well, it's a proper town, with a High Street and shops both sides, all the way down. Of course, I knew it fairly well; we usually went down once a week for shopping. But that was always on a Friday evening, and only for an hour or so. To be in the town all day long was a different matter, I discovered.

The school was a bigish old place more or less in the middle of town. The main part was built of stone and brick, pretty ancient, with high ceilings and windows, like you might be in a church. Then outside this there was the overflow, a row of rough tin shacks for the infants and then a completely new wing, shining with white paint and bright colours inside and even tiles on the roof. Not that I went in there, it being for Grade Three kids only.

Grade Six, which was where they put Bulldog and me, was in a room in the old building. A pretty hideous sort of room it was, too, with walls that were supposed to be cream-coloured, but had been rubbed by so many greasy hands and dirty coats that the bottom half had taken on a sort of mouldy green colour. All the desks squeaked and rocked when you sat down and there were all those names and initials and hearts and arrows scratched and carved in the lids.

THE first thing that happened was we saw the Headmaster, and he wrote all about us in this great book, like name and date of birth and religion and that. This book stretched right across his desk and hung over the sides and the Headmaster, who wore glasses with very thick rims, wrote your name right on the edge of one page and then had to chase the line all the way over to the other page to put something there too. After that he took us into the



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Grade Six room and pointed to an empty desk right by the door and told us to sit down. We weren't to know it was the worst desk in the room, which was why it was empty, I reckon. Anyway, we sat down, or rather Bulldog did first, and he did it in his usual fashion as if he was throwing himself over a cliff. The seat wasn't properly fastened so he kept going till he hit the floor, but before he actually got that far he gave a shout and grabbed at the desk lid to save himself. There must have been a broken hinge on it because it went with him, so you can imagine there was a right clatter and noise.

The lesson went on, and it wasn't too bad really. The teacher set some work, but didn't come round to see what we were doing, so we didn't do anything.

The morning dragged on till recess and then we went out in the yard and had a few fights on account of blokes taking liberties with us or calling us names. Then it dragged on till dinner-time and we went out and the fights started again.

"I'm getting tired of this," Bulldog said. "Let's get out of the way, shall we?" So we went out of the yard and found our way through to the High Street.

We walked up and down for a while, just looking in shop-windows; then we came to Coles, which is a sort of walk-round place. You can go in even if you're not going to buy anything.

"I've got to get a pen and pencil and some exercise books," Bulldog said. "Let's go in here."

"I have, too," I said, following him. "But I haven't got any money, so it'll have to wait till tomorrow."

"Neither have I got any money, you stupid drongo," Bulldog said. "How you going to get them, then?"

"I'll show you," he said. We went all round the store looking at the stuff just spread out on the open counter, and I was fascinated by how much there was. Then I saw Bulldog making for the door, so I followed him.

"I thought you said you were going to get some school things?" I said.

He just grinned and kept walking. But when we got round the corner he pulled all this stuff out of his pockets; not just school stuff, but bars of chocolate, a plastic revolver, a bottle of ink, a couple of painting brushes—the lot.

"I didn't see you get these," I said.

"I hope no-one else did, either," Bulldog said.

"You stole them!"

"THEY won't miss them. Big store like that. I just knocked them off, that's all."

Bulldog laughed, and marched off in the direction of school.

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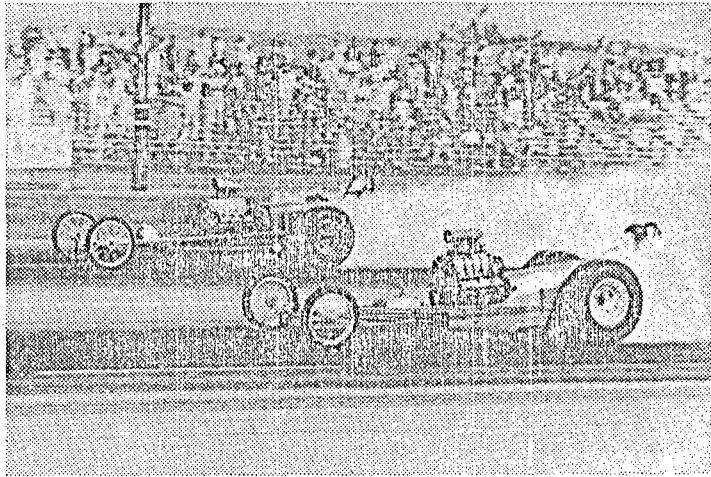
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# SPEEDING ALONG WHILE THE TYRES BURN!

## Drag Racing Comes To Britain



**SOMETHING** new in the field of sport has come to Britain—Drag Racing. Said to be the world's most exciting and colourful form of motor sport, it originated in the United States, and will make its first organised appearance in Britain during the next three weeks in the 1st British International Drag Festival, sponsored by *The People*.

THE Festival opens on Saturday at Blackbushe Airport, near Camberley, Surrey, and some 60 vehicles will compete in various events. Among them will be ten dragsters from the United States which have reached speeds of more than 180 mph. Entries representing Europe during the

Top: The start of a drag race; the cloud screening the drivers is smoke from burning tyres! Right: Parachute drag for a drag car

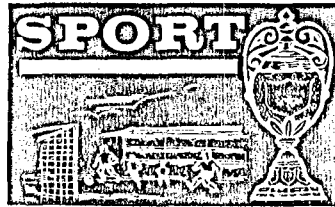
Festival will consist of many different types of racing machines, from dragsters to saloon cars.

As can be seen from the pictures, dragsters are rather revolutionary-looking vehicles, with an engine seemingly resting on a frame, while the front wheels are slender and the rear ones larger and more solid. This is because the full strain of propulsion is taken by the rear wheels, the tyres burning as they spin furiously to drive the vehicle from standstill to some 180 mph in only a quarter of a mile—the length of the course in drag-car racing!

Motor-cycles will have their

place in the Festival, too. Five of America's top men will be taking part, among them Clem Johnson, with his "Barn-Job," which is reported to have covered the quarter-mile dash in ten seconds. British competitors include world champion George Brown, who has the reputation of being the fastest man on wheels in Britain; and Alf Hogan, with his single-gear "Leprechaun."

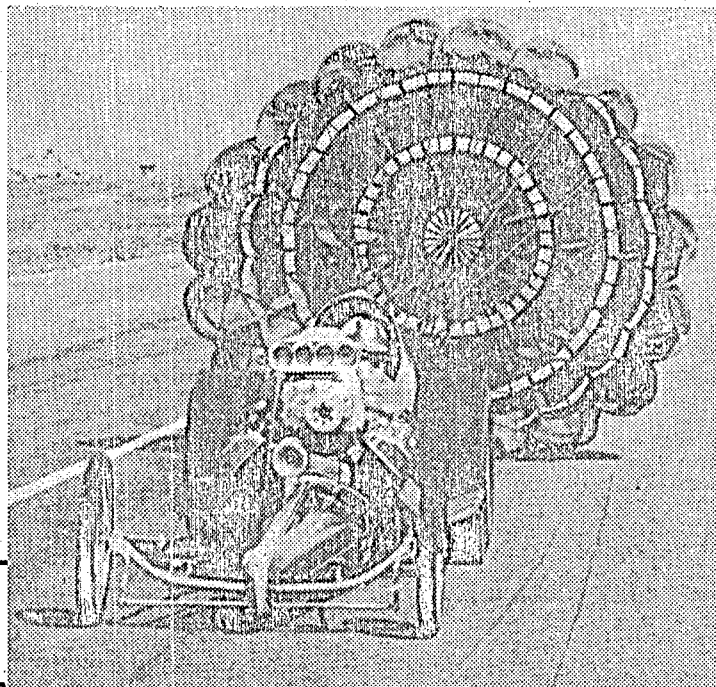
Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded at each meeting of the Festival, which will end where it began—at Blackbushe Airport on Finals Day, 4th October.



## WHAT IS DRAG RACING?

THE Drag Strip is a concrete or asphalt roadway designed to accommodate two fast cars racing side by side over a measured quarter-mile course from a standing start. Class winners are determined by competition on a knock-out basis, the losing car in each heat being eliminated and the winner going through to the next round.

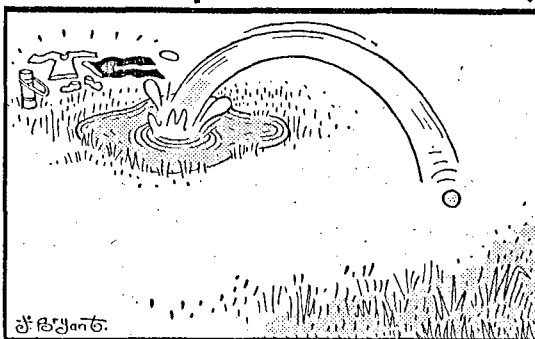
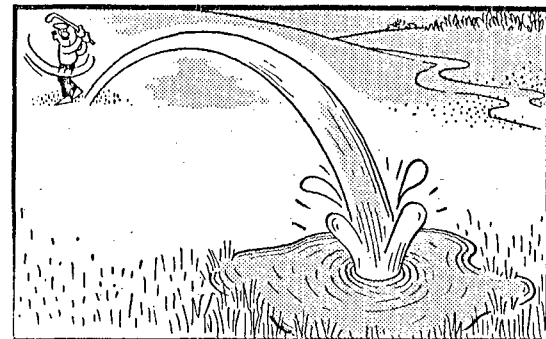
Like any other sport, drag racing has its top stars; but it is also open to amateur racers. Rigid safety precautions are taken. In the dragster classes, where speeds approach 200 mph, novice drivers have to pass progressive tests before being allowed to compete in all-out racing.



## FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

The full programme for the Festival is: 19th September, Blackbushe Airport; 20th Sept., RAF Chelveston, near Wellingborough, Northants; 26th Sept., RAF Woodvale, near Southampton, Lancs; 27th Sept., RAF Church Fenton, near Tadcaster, Yorks; 3rd October, RAF Kemble, near Cirencester, Glos; and 4th Oct., back to Blackbushe Airport for Finals Day.

## ALL-ROUND ALFIE



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## Sportsbag

THE game of lacrosse—which originated with the North American Indians—is not so widespread in Britain as it might be. But it will come into the sports headlines a little more this year because of the visit by an American women's team—not North American Indians, of course!

From Mrs. D. A. Stokes, honorary secretary of the All England Ladies' Lacrosse Association, I have received a few notes which show that the number of schools joining the Association is growing each year. And each spring there is a schools' tournament, when some 80 teams compete for trophies awarded on each of the four days of the competition.

Perhaps the increase in growth of lacrosse-playing schools may be due to the Loan Kit Scheme. Through it, schools may borrow for a season a complete set of lacrosse equipment.

This seems to me to be an excellent way of helping those schools which would like to take up lacrosse, but have not the funds available for the buying of equipment.

And it is an idea which other sports might well copy.

The Sports Editor

## Swimmer's Record

Dear Sir,—I was a hopeless swimmer two years ago, in March, 1962. But then I passed my length certificate in the summer. At the beginning of 1963 I passed my first free pass. In September, 1963, I joined Ardwick Technical School and passed my Bronze Survival. In the following January I passed my Silver Survival. Then in June I passed my Intermediate and Elementary of the Bronze Medallion. Last July I passed my second free pass. Altogether, that is one length certificate; two free passes; Bronze and Silver Survival; Intermediate and Elementary Bronze Medallion. Could anyone else boast of such a record in two years?

Philip Sands (12), Ardwick Technical High School, Manchester.

## Paddling Your Own Canoe

MORE and more schools and sports organisations are taking to canoeing—and distance from waterways appears to be no deterrent. From Mr. Flint, vice-chairman of the Paddling Racing Committee of the British Canoe Union, I have just received details of the past season's activities.

For those of you keen on canoeing, the following paragraph from his letter may be of particular interest:

"The Paddling Racing Committee have started a further scheme to help youngsters. The transition from school and youth organisation canoeing to paddling racing is a very difficult one. There is the problem of boats—most youngsters start in home-made canoes—and the problem of coaching for the specialised sport of racing. The BCU have now acquired a fleet of six racing boats and a trailer, and any organisation, school, youth club, etc., can hire these boats at a very modest sum, and the BCU Paddling Racing Committee will assist in arranging a course in paddling racing and supply a racing coach.

"The Organiser of this side of the work is: Mr. J. Law, 18 Kings Head Hill, Chingford, London, E.4."

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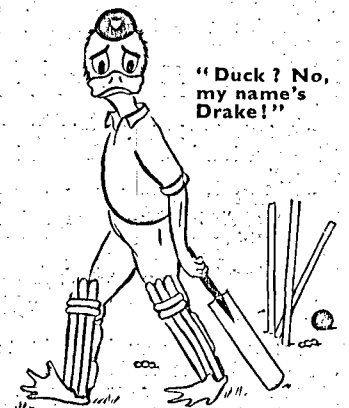
## Ducks by The Score!

A COUPLE of weeks ago there was the story of the school dismissed for six runs. Things are now getting worse! Just read these:

Dear Sir,—We played a school this term at my preparatory school and had them all out for three runs.

Ashley Bunkall, The Bridge House, Setch, King's Lynn.

Dear Sir,—I am writing to say that my school, Dollis, once got Edware



out for two! Those two runs were wides bowled by one of our bowlers, who was immediately taken off.

Geoffrey Seaman (11), Woodcote Avenue, Mill Hill, London, N.W.7.

I'm all of a shake lest someone writes to tell me of a school all out for 0!

## Another Soccer Book

ANOTHER excellent book which has just reached me is *The Boys' Book of Soccer for 1965* (Evans Brothers, 12s. 6d.). Contributors include the England players Gordon Banks, Bobby Charlton, Gordon Milne, and Terry Paine. And the Spotlight is turned on a number of players whose names are household words.

There are also pictures—portraits and action shots—soccer records and curiosities, and eight Quiz pages calculated to test the wits at any party.

## ANSWERS TO PUZZLES

(P.3) CN Chess Club: 1... RxN ch; 2 KxR, R-N ch; 3 K-B2, N-R6 ch; 4 K-B3, B-K4 mate. (P.4) Crossword Puzzle: ACROSS: 1 Pelican. 5 Liszt. 8 Ere. 9 Immerse. 10 Aware. 11 Ditto. 13 Lancers. 14 Sphinx. 16 Canyon. 20 Admirers. 22 Faces. 25 Lotus. 26 Initial. 27 Keg. 28 Works. 29 Notable. DOWN: 1 Fried. 2 Limit. 3 Cartoon. 4 Needle. 5 Learn. 6 Stately. 7 Treason. 12 Imp. 14 Shallow. 15 Hamster. 17 Afflict. 18 One. 19 Assign. 21 Risks. 23 Climb.

24 Solve. (P.10) Wild Flower: Lupin; pansy; crocus; snowdrop; iris; orchid; water-lily—COWSLIP. Do You Know? Open Sesame: Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch; It is derived from the letters GP stencilled on the Army's General Purpose car. Boys For Blanks: Thomas; George. Geographical Jumble: Carmarthen; Brandenburg; Washington. Riddle-Me-Ree: Scrooge. Odd One Out: Kanchenjunga, a mountain. All the others are deserts.